



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Cantor *et al.*

Serial No. : 09/395,409

Confirmation No.: 6005

Filed : September 14, 1999

Title : **SOLID PHASE SEQUENCING OF BIOPOLYMERS**

Art Unit : 1637

Examiner : Heather Calamita

Customer No.: 20985

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Further to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-captioned application, mailed October 31, 2007, consideration and entry of the following amendment and response, responsive to the Office Action, mailed February 6, 2007, and the Advisory Action, mailed April 17, 2007 respectfully are requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

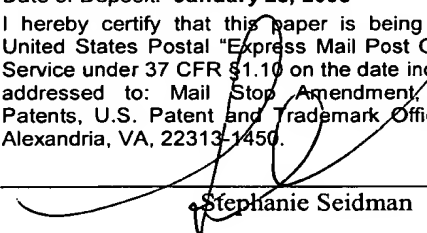
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"

"Express Mail" Mailing Label Number EV 965984776 US

Date of Deposit: **January 23, 2008**

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450.


Stephanie Seidman